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**FLOOD CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**GOLD CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2015**  
**MINUTES**

**Members in attendance:** Tom Davis, Josh Scott, Charles Slocum, Kevin Dahl, Elston Grubaugh and Craig Colvin.

**Members absent:** Courtney Arviso

**Others in attendance:** Craig Sellers, Deputy County Engineer; Ed Feheley, Deputy County Attorney; Michael Maisner, Civil Engineer; Susan Elton, Administrative Assistant; Davina Castro, OSII

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Tom Davis called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and a quorum was verified.

**2. Approval of Minutes – Regular meeting of March 19, 2015**

**Chairman Tom Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2015 Flood Control Advisory Board meeting. Elston Grubaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.**

**3. Summary of Board Actions**

Craig Sellers reviewed the year-to-date Board of Supervisors actions. A discussion on the approved Smucker Park IGA Amendment between the Flood Control District and the City of Yuma followed.

- Mr. Sellers explained the original agreement, signed in 2002, was used as a basis to construct a revised amendment, as directed by the BOS. The revisions included the following:
  1. Changed definition of Scope of Work that identified the items that were Flood Control (FC) related or not related.
  2. Included modifications to liability. Original agreement of standard gross negligence was replaced with negligence.
  3. Clause was included that connections to the basin would be by mutual agreement. If discharges arise they would be delegated to the Flood Control Manager and the City Engineer to review and concur.
  4. Termination clause was expanded. Original clause stated agreement will terminate when all responsibilities are done. New termination clause states any party can terminate agreement up to award of bid.
- Mr. Sellers went on to express he did not believe the costs have changed and he was still working with the same cost estimations for the last couple of years.
- Mr. Sellers also explained the participation of the District and the City had been uncapped from their prescribed responsibilities. District was fixed on participation in original agreement, which had gone from a \$1.125 million financial obligation up to approximately \$7-8 million financial obligation. If the obligation was too high, the District could terminate the agreement.

- Chairman Davis indicated the City's obligation is mostly maintenance. Mr. Sellers clarified the City had obligation for utility relocation, sewer and potential for water and electrical. The City could enforce franchise agreements to manage cost.
- Josh Scott mentioned there was \$1 million budgeted for irrigation and landscape, and Chairman Davis pointed out that final design did not include inflow from Holly Drive. The current direction was going down the mesa and being collected. Mr. Sellers explained in depth the design.
- Chairman Davis inquired about basin locations. Mr. Scott responded that he and Mr. Sellers would look at areas for basins.
- Chairman Davis asked about Association and Bureau of Reclamation's comments. Mr. Scott stated they will be addressed in the next week or two.
- Ed Feheley addressed the gross negligence to negligence clause that was changed in the amendment.

#### **4. Project Update**

**3.9703 Smucker Park Detention Basin** –Mr. Sellers reviewed photos taken from North of hospital. Dibble & Associates had submitted their final comments to DWR this week and Mr. Sellers requested a proposal from Dibble & Associates for soil stabilization and fence installation around perimeter.

**3.0103 West Yuma Mesa Storm Drainage Improvements** – Mr. Sellers reviewed photos of deepening of the Vista del Valle basin. Mr. Sellers disclosed the spillways were done and were working on perimeter fencing and guard rail. Elston Grubaugh mentioned that Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) is starting an upgrade project on the 242 well field that would flow north to the river. Mr. Sellers indicated the BOR said they would go up near Cocopah Speedway and tie into Yuma Mesa conduit. Mr. Sellers also mentioned a concrete spillway and erosion control has been provided in the Sunset Mesa basin.

**3.0503 Land Purchases and Improvements** – Mr. Sellers stated this was a general project used for purchasing lands and basins, and to improve basins. Dahl, Robins & Associates was evaluating retention basin discharges to improve oil sediment capture. Michael Maisner would continue Jeremiah's work on DW9 and DW2 well discharge repairs.

**3.0504 South Somerton Area Drainage Improvements** - Mr. Sellers stated there was great success on the north section and the south section had adequate retention, but the basins do not have outlets. The drainage into Union Street basin should be able to tie into it.

**3.0505 San Luis Drainage Improvements** – Mr. Sellers announced that phase one work was complete. Phase two would extend the laterals east, and pickup another two-to-three blocks.

**3.0901 Gasden Area Drainage Improvements** – Mr. Sellers reviewed photos and stated project was almost complete. Pavement would be a HURF project.

**3.0902 Yuma Valley Master Plan Update** – Mr. Sellers disclosed the project update was still on hold with the BOR.

**3.1004 Foothills Area Drainage Improvements** – Mr. Sellers explained in 2010 the Far West Basin was completed and a consultant was developing a collection system. The basin would be at Desert Grace Church, and they plan to put catch basins in the corner east of Mesa Del Sol.

**3.1501 Wellton Area Drainage Improvements** – Mr. Sellers stated the project was currently being evaluated.

**5. Call to the Public**

Chairman Tom Davis opened the meeting to members of the public.

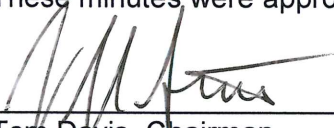
Craig Sellers introduced Michael Maisner, new Civil Engineer.

Chairman Davis requested the September 17, 2015 meeting be rescheduled to Thursday, September 10, 2015.

**6. Adjourn**

**Chairman Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:44 a.m.**

These minutes were approved and accepted on this 10th day of September, 2015.

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Tom Davis, Chairman